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Agent for the Bremen Board of Underwriters. THE UNDERSIGNED having been appointed Agent for the Bremen Board of Underwriters, begs to inform the commercial public in general, that all average claims against the said Underwriters, occurring in or ab ut this Kingdom, Inland Cal., Oregon and I tah Ter. will have to be verified by him. Masters of Bremen vessels Mexican ports* entering this or any other port of the Hawaiian Islands, in Panama, New Grenada,* distress or average, are requested to apply to the same at Valparais, and S. Amer. Republics*..... their earliest convenience FLORENS STAPENHORST. Honolulu, 1st July, 1854. 42 tf Office Nuusau-street.

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CHARLES W. VINCENT, CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER

THE UNDERSIGNED would inform his friends and the Honolulu, Dec. 1, 1856 .- 30 tf.

S. JOHNSON, Carpenter, Merchant Street. N. B.-Houses to let.

FISCHER & JURGENS, Cabinet Makers and French Polishers, Hotel St, opposite Government House. 43-6m

MOSSMAN & SON, Bakers, Grocers and Dealers in Dry Goods. Nuunnu St. Honolulu, Onbu, S. I. 25-16

BUSINESS CARDS.

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> GEO. RISELY,

Rose Cottage Market, opposite the Bethel. GEO. RISELY has resumed business at the above stand, and grateful for former patronage assures his friends that they can be supplied with the best Beef, Mutton. Pork and Sausages Also, Corned Beef and Pork always on hand. supplied with Live Stock and Corned Beef at the st notice. 27-if

Honolulu Family Market,

Honolulu, Oahu, S. I. THE UNDERSIGNED, would respectfully inform the Residents and Shipmasters, that they can be supplied with the best Beef. Pork and Mutton, at his establishment nearly oppo-H. HANLY, Proprietor.

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degs to inform his friends and the Public generally, that he has recommenced his Coopering Business on his old stand, in rear of Mr. H. Rhodes's Spirit Store, o. posite Mr. Monsarrai's Auction Room, on Kashumanu street, and respectfully solicits a share of the public patronage. All orders promptly attended to. Honolala, Sept. 25, 1856.

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SOMETHING NEW Over Dr. McKibbin's Drug Store, corner of Kashumsnu and Merchant Streets, Streets and old Rosko Merchant Streets, Streets and old Rosko Merchant Streets an IMPROVED AMBROTYPES!

> Photographic Pictures on Glass and Paper! THE UNDERSIGNED, having recently returned their own speed, and off they sat at full gallop. I come, and must come, from above to that pure and thirsty than ever; for this slight repast is suffifrom a visit to San Francisco, takes pleasure in was so scated in the sleigh that by just turning my informing the public that he has introduced, and is head my mouth was close to our driver's ear. ber resignation to the will of the Almighty. Then now prepared to execute, those Splendid and Per- "What is the matter, Rosko?" whispered I, so the panting and trampling came closer to us, and The old man had spoken truly. We sat still, MANENT PICTURES ON GLASS, well known as the

provements in the Photographic Art. Ambrotypes, ed itself to you." ment of AGENT at these islands for the Leverpool Under- by the dozen or half dozen. Also-On hand, a great variety of beautiful Cases and Frames, of the sive us we are lost." latest styles.

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into the French and Hawaiian languages, &c. &c.

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Superior Champagne.

The Polnnesian.

HONOLULU, H. I., JANUARY 31, 1857.

A NIGHT OF TERROR.

FROM THE GERMAN OF GEORG DORING. We suddenly received from home the intelligence hat my father had been taken seriously ill, and had expressed a wish that we should return. The necessity was so urgent that delay was not to be thought of, and we started the very same hour. It was a sad journey we had to make. A few days before, it had thawed, and had then again frozen hard; now the snow fell in thick flakes, and the weather was piercingly cold. My anxiety about my father left me no rest, and Axinia longed earnestly to be at home and beside the sick bed. We determined to travel the night through; and we site the Bethel, at the very lowest prices Pamilies, Hotels were the better enabled to do this, as towards eveand Boarding Houses can be supplied at any time of day with the best Sausages, Pork, Sugar Cored Hams &c. N. B. Shipping supplied with Corned Beet, Live Stock and Vegetables, at the shortest notice on reasonable terms.

H. HANLY, Proprietor. ed with furs, and also with provisions for our journey. Before the night came on, we had reached the wide-spreading forest which separated us from our native home, and which stretches away in the distance towards Lithuania, there to unite itself with the boundless forests of that country. The road we travelled was wide enough to receive without hindrance the complete light of the full moon; but the frequent rough places in it which had been caused by the sharp frost following immediately upon the thaw, checked our progress and cost our horses the greatest exertion. A perfect stillness reigned around us, which was broken only by the trotting of the horses and the heavy breathing of the lady's maid, an old French woman, who were now close behind us; their heavy breathing tress of that ione, continued to sound in our ears, had fallen asleep. My thoughts were by the bed was more distinctly heard. I could see their gap. Rosko had gone uneasily towards the door, and of my sick father, and neither Axinia nor myself ing jaws with the rows of hightful teath, and their was looking through a crack in it. It had now felt inclined to talk. It was just an hour before tongues hanging out; and I could see their sav- become stiller without, and it appeared to me that midnight, and nothing particular had happened on age, fiery eyes. And what a multitude was there the growling and howling of the wolves no longer our lonely way, when suddenly the horses which of them! My last charge was expended, and I now sounded so directly in our neighborhood. Old drew our sleigh began to show an unusual kind of possessed no means of defence against an attack of Rosko came back from the door, and he must have uneasiness; they snorted and chafed, and without the furious animals, except my two pistols, which seen in the expression of my face an interrogabeing urged by the whip they galloped fister and had not yet been fired off, my hunting-knife, and tion as to the shocking, unnatural tones we had faster. They were horses we had find for several the butt end of my rifle. This Rosko had re- heard and everything appertaining to the trade. Orders years, and which could be induced to go out of marked. promptly attended to, and executed with quick despatch their usual speed only by some very extraordinary cause. They appeared anxious and fearful, and member to have seen on our way here an uninhab doubt fought his blood thirsty enemies bravely often turned their heads round to look back, and ited hunter's but, which cannot now be far off. If with his hoofs; but he was obliged to give way, then it always seemed as if some unknown power we can succeed in reaching it we are safe for the the number being too great for him. Yes, sir, impelled them to renewed exertion. From these present; if not, the wolves will tear us to pieces, continued he, "that dreadful cry announced to us sudden dashings forward their pace soon became and relieve their fierce hunger with our flesh. If the death of your favorite horse. I have heard stars with a transit instrument accurately adjusted to the Meridian of Honolulu. Particular attention given to fine watch repairing. Sextant and Quadrant glasses silvered and adjusted Charts and Nautical instruments constantly on handland pearance of the greatest terror. Aximia was too a speedy death, that she may not due to the sun and Nautical instruments constantly on handland pearance of the greatest terror. Aximia was too due to that, sir," continued he, with a tremthis tone, which pierces to the very sool, on the biding voice, "then—you have still the loaded pistic field of battle. It is peculiar to strong, young true, but not without resistance, and with an appearance of the greatest terror. Aximia was too due the touch of the welves." deeply engaged in her own thoughts and feelings der the teeth of the wolves, " to pay any attention to the altered behavior of the I stared in speechless silence at the old man; a weaker than Alexander, and older too. But this

Stereoscopes, Daguerreotypes, and all kinds of Photo- The old man considered for a moment, and then With my left hand I seized the ready-cocked pis- window-shutters; then the growling became loudgraphic Pictures, taken in a superior manner and in answered me in the same low tone, "I fear the tol, and with a searching glance I looked at the er, and we could find that, with newly excited any weather. Photographs, on paper, of persons or wolves are upon our track; the cold has driven head of my sister in order to select that part where rage, they were trying to climb up the door-posts views of residences, ships, parts of the city, &c., them out of the woods, and hunger makes them death would reach her the surest and quickest, and the mod wall in order to get upon the roof. owners and Saipmasters, that he hast ceived the appeal which may be sent to absent friends by letter, taken follow us; and if the speed of the horses does not My right hand had mechanically drawn my hunt-

light. I had often heard that these creatures pur- ering in the bottom of the sleigh. 25. 50. rified beasts understood the approaching danger an impression on our pursuers, or whether the ne- must soon fall into the flames beneath. 5* 10* better than we. I felt an unceasing inclination to celerated speed of our horses was the cause, I know "Away from the fire !" cried old Rosko to the look back into the distance behind us, in order to not; but so it was that we began to leave the say- two females, who, terrified, fled into a corner. star (*), must be paid through, or they will not be listen, through the stillness of the night, for some age monsters a little behind, and we gained a slight Then he turned to me and said: "Now shoot! send forwarded - excepting letters for Great Britain, sound that might confirm the horror of our fate. but in our situation invaluable advantage over a pistol ball into the fellow's body; take a good DRY GOODS, CLOTHING & C., the United States, and only Hawaiian and Sea post- are coming they a

monsters; already several had burst forward out of providentially we found still there.

THE UNDERSIGNED having this day purchased forward with renewed vigor, whilst the wolves saving themselves, to snatch the lantern from the night would over ake us again, and the wolves

are lost.21 pace unsteady. They did their best, for they knew time to time he shook his head.

Rosko saw and heard plainer than I. " They them. I looked around me; there stood the hat; aim-hit sure!"

A reduction made on pamphlets and papers re- my gun, cocked it, and nimed at the foremost of I experienced at that moment Many years have able to moster. the creatures. "Stoop down!" cried I to Axinia, passed away since that time-I have gone through These words had reached my ears only; Axinia who had started up as if frightened out of a dream. much that was calculated to try the soul; but nev- and the Frenchwoman looked anxiously up at the She looked at me inquiringly, but it was evident er had I feelings equal to these. The purest joy roof, to see whether any fresh danger threatened us. from my actions that this was no time for ques- at the deliverance of my sister took possession of I drew near to the old man, and led him far away tions. She instantly bent down her head and me, and with it the feeling that I had sinned from Axinia towards the dead wolf, as if I wished shoulders; my gun went off, and the foremost and against the greatness and goodness of the Almighty. to examine it; and then I asked him, in an underlargest of the animals fell to the earth. My shot I felt the utmost contrition; I dared not speak to voice, what were the fears he entertained for the had waked the lady's-moid, and she began to Axinia, whose confidence in heaven had never for day, as I had been in hopes that, when morning THE COPARTNERSHIP heretofore existing un- scream thinking we were attacked by robbers. one moment forsaken her, and who at this moment came, the wolves would forsake our place of refuge, public, that he has taken the well known Carpenter prem-pres of C. H. Lewers, Esq. on Fort street, and would soli-pres of C. H. Lewers, Esq. on Fort street, and would soliises of a transfer of the forest.

The sound was offering thanks for her ordered for the forest of the forest.

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The interest of Ahee in the Sugar Plantation at companion. "It will not last long," murmared Rosko to him- we were in safety; and as we did so we heard the sembled in such an enormous mass as they have self; "I know them; they will soon be close be-hind us again, and their perseverance will put the ing against the door, and climbing up against the best horse to shame."

I now had an opportunity of seeing how great ened with very strong shutters. Mud walls surwas Axinia's strength of mind. She spoke words rounded us, and a bank of earth was built against enough to try the roof again to night; but by day of comfort to the weeping lady's-maid with perfect one side; a little half-rotten strawlay in a corner, light the flames do not make so powerful an imcomposure, and exhorted her to join her in prayer and by the side of it lay an invaluable treasure, a pression on them. We must summon all our courto Him whose will could instantaneously tame the heap of firewood, sufficient in all probability to age and all our strength for what may then happen, 16-H wild beasts of the desert. She sank on her knees save us during four and twenty hours from the se and prepare to defend the women and our own lives

in the bottom of the sleigh, and beside her the la- verity of the frost. The old servant I st not a mody's-maid; but the latter was not capable of col- ment in making use of the discovery. A most lecting her thoughts to pray, and she gave way to grateful fire soon flamed in the middle of the room, continual lamentations and to repeated denuncia- the smoke from which went upwards and found are tions of the journey itself. By this time I had re- outlet at one of those openings in the roof which loaded my rifle, and it lay against my shoulder in usually form the chimney in these hunters' huts. a state of readiness, whilst the horses were doing I now breathed more freely, and could look more their best to escape from our pursuers. Then the calmly upon my sister, who had sat down quietly rushing, snuffling and panting drew nearer again; upon the earthen bank, and was engaged in enthe dark mass came on with wonderful speed, and deavoring to restore the fainting lady's maid whom I soon perceived that a few of the creatures had Rosko had placed there when he carried her in. outrun the others, and were approaching, with With the help of some spirits from Rosko's flask, their gaping jaws extended, towards us. A second she at last succeeded, and we all gathered round ball struck the most during of them to the ground. the fire, the beneficial effects of which soon gave us I hoped by this again to gain time; I hoped that, new life; and whilst we listened to the savage favored by the frequent stopping of the beasts over growling of our fearful enemies outside, we contheir dead comrades, we might be able to gain the gratulated ourselves upon having escaped from ontside of the forest and perhaps some human them. The French woman, now that the paralysing dwelling. But how vain were my calculations! effect of the tear had left her, began to describe This time they did not remain nearly so long with with astonishing volubility all she had suffered, their dead companion as with the first; I had scarce- and how she had expected every moment to see one ly time to reload before they were after us again. of the monsters spring into the sleigh and swallow "It is all of no use," whispered Rosko to me; us all up. I sat holding Axinia's hand in mme, the horses cannot last much longer, and then we and an expression of unspeakable joy might be seen in the faces of us both. Old Rosko alone ap-And it is true that by this time there was a visi- peared unmoved at the favor which fate had shown ble decrease in the strength of our horses; their us; he sat looking with gloomy thoughtfulness inbreathing became an anxious gasping and their to the rising flames; his brow was knit, and from

that the blood-thirsty destroyers were at our heels, Suddenly we now heard, resounding from a disand that only speed could save us ; but their pow- tance, so lond and heart-piercing a cry of pain, ers were becoming more and more exhausted. Often that we looked at each other in astonishment, and had one or the other already fallen on its knees Axinia crept close to me, as if for safety. I had and then sprung up again with a desperate effort. never heard a sound like it before: it could be the We were, indeed, in a fearful situation; I trem- the tones of no human being that proceed the air bled for Axinia's life, not for my own. My balls with so much strength, and I knew of no animal brought down a few more of our pursuers, but that the cry of which it resembled. It soon ceased ; no longer disturbed them in their chase. They but the piteous complaint, the heart-piercing dis-

" Poor Alexander! all is over with him! The "There is still one hope left." said he; "I re- young beast was full of courage and fire, and no any wager it went easier with Cynthia; she was animals, but I, being used to them and their hab. tear ran down his cheek; without speaking he much is certain, that the poor animals have become its, felt agitated, and prepared as it were for some looked at me and nodded his head, as if by that a prey to the wolves, which are at this moment also appeared now to be seized with a certain un- shall I forget that moment! A shudder ran through us in peace. At this moment, there are but few easy f eling. He looked back several times quick- my veins; I looked into the innocent face of my of them about the hat; the great mass are engagly and seemed to be listening; then he gave the sister; I turned my eyes in desperation towards ed in their horrid meal. They will soon return, horses the reins, so that they were free to go at heaven; it seemed to me that deliverance ought to however, more ravenously hungry and more blood

gently to him that it was impossible for Axinia to I saw that the foremost of the creatures had reach- and as if waiting round the fire; and a few mocatch what I sud. "You seem to be alarmed, and ed us, and that they seemed to be smelling our car-Together with all the latest and most valuable im- as if the uneasiness of the horses had communicat- riage, as if they wished first to see of what the feet and the panting of the wolves close outside; freight consisted before they made the attack, then they came bursting against the door and the ing-knife. A veil of blood appeared to be drawn eyes were fixed on the opening in the roof just have since then led the life of a soldier, and over my sight, and through the blood I beheld the above us, through which, when a puff of wind have beheld death in its most fearful forms; but praying Axinia, the hungry wolves, and the wide parted the cloud of smoke which went up from of a flaming battery, did I ever feel the terror and nearer to our sleigh; it gave a frightful spring to upon us. A fresh column of smoke was just about horror I felt at this moment. My first thought was clear its side, but my hunting-knife caught it in to twirl upwards, when the lady's maid uttered a my sister. I saw in unagination her delicate, love- the flank as it sprang, and it fell dead before it loud skrick, and, pointing to the roof, fell speechly form torn by the teeth of the monsters; I saw renched us. Axinia had sunk in terror by the side less on the ground. A fearful sight was before them appease their hunger with sanguinary de- of the lady's maid, who had long since been cow- us! Four wolves' heads, with bloody jaws, and their tongues hanging out, showing their white sued their prey with an obstinacy and a speed which "Well done!" eried Rosko to me, with all the rows of savage teeth, were ranged round the edge made it impossible to escape from them. If our spirit of a young man. "Spare your powder and of the opening, and looking down, with glowing. horses could hold out, we might be saved, but I use your knife. I can see the hut now. Hold out eyes, into the flames beneath. Seen through feit sure that their strength would be exhausted only a little longer and then we shall be secure." the smoke as we saw them, they looked like debefore that of our pursuers, and that we should fall Then the bloody veil fell from before my eyes, and mons. At this unexpected sight, only Rosko rea sacrifice to them. I were a hunting knife by my it became again light within meand around. Ros- tained his presence of mind. He threw a fagot side, and had also with me a rifle and a pair of ko flogged the horses unmercifully, and once more into the fire, saying : "We have nothing to fear pistols; but my provision of powder and ball was the faithful beasts made incredible exertions; it from these four : they do not like fire; it dazzles small, and could serve only to bring down some seemed as if they felt that this was the last piece them, and they will not be able to see us." But few of these savage animals, which I knew were of service they should ever render their masters, suddenly there came a loud crash in the weak raft-accustomed to go out upon their nightly expediand were therefore willing to put forth their last ers of the roof; three of the monsters disappeared, tions in flocks of several hundreds together. In strength. In the meantime I had put the pistol but the roof gave way under the fourth, and hung the meantime old Rosko drove the horses onward in my breast-pocket, and stood upright, with the down within the cabin, whilst the creature endeav-27* 52* with unceasing speed; but it was not necessary to gunstock held up in my hand ready to strike, ored in vain to ching to the rafters which kept to the urge them much, for the acute instinct of the ter-

denly. "Don't you hear the rushing and panting? as with his powerful hand he drew up the horses, ready to strike a blow with the stock. We heard They look like a dark shadow as they come up on- and then sprang from his seat, saying "We are the creature grouning with fear. It was of unusof the valley. It is a pack of more than a hunt here-we are here! Quickly out, and into the unland fearful size. I obeyed mechanic y the but, there's not a moment to be lost!" But al- command of the old servant. I took a tour aim, I now saw what Rosko's quicker sight had al- ready had Axinia, with wonderful energy, sprung fired, and at the same instant the animal fell into ready seen. With a strange gliding motion an out of the sleigh and into the hut; Rosko followed the burning pile of wood beneath, from which flew enormous black mass came nearer and nearer; it her, carrying the fainting lady's-maid; I was the on all sides firebrands, burning coals, and sparks. passed so quickly over the snow that one could not last. As I was going in the old man snutched the I started back from the flames; but there lay our exactly distinguish the manner of its motion, and gun out of my hand and rushed out again. Hook- enemy bleeding, and rolling itself amongst the it became evident that it would very soon overtake ed after bim in astonishment. I saw that the firebrands, howling horribly and piteously with pain. our horses, the strength of which was beginning to wolves were coming up in enormous numbers, and Resko kept his place courageously; and after havgive way. Awful, horrible sounds broke through I knew that they would be up with us in a minute ing raised the stock of the gun once or twice over the stillness of the night. They seemed to be sent or two. I called after him to come back, but his head, and brought it down again each time with forth from the depth of the chest, and resembled work was already done; with two cuts of the whip a heavy blow, there lay the beast dead before us, sometimes a grunting noise and sometimes the pain- be had set the horses off again into a full gallop, its limbs stretched out stiff from its body amongst ful, hollow, but yet partly repressed yells of one in and had got back again just as two of the savage the burning wood, which, being all wetted with its agony. Axinia still suspected nothing; nothing beasts made a spring towards the hut. With two blood, give forth a smothering steam. Rosko, who could arouse her from the thoughts of home which blows of the butt end of the gun he struck them had always his wits about him, pulled it out of the engaged her so deeply. I was not able, however, both down, and then was by my side again; and fire, and dragged it into the forthest corner, where much longer to leave her in that happy unconscious- just as the foremost of the pack reached the hut he left it lying, saying at the same time that he ness of the danger which threatened us. I could and would have pressed in, we rushed to the strong hoped it would be the only visit of the kind we already distinguish the separate groups of the eager oaken door and bolted it with an iron bolt, which should have during the night; " but the day, the day," added he, in a low tone of voice, " willthe mass and were within shot of our sleigh. I raised I should in vain endeavor to describe the feelings bring us more of such customers than we shall be